

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 3541 - SB 3534**

February 12, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) and the University of Tennessee's Board of Trustees (UT), in conjunction with the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), to develop uniform guidelines to give academic credit for service in state government for individuals seeking master's degrees in accounting, political science, public administration, and related programs. Requires credit to be given to individuals employed at least 25 years whose service positions included the Secretary of State, Comptroller of the Treasury, Treasurer; member of the Governor's Cabinet; or cabinet level staff. Authorizes a maximum of 16 hours to be awarded.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumption:

- Any increase in state expenditures to develop these guidelines can be handled within existing resources without an additional appropriation or reduced reversion. Any increase in state expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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